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> PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Examiner's Action mailed July 15, 2004. With the extension, a response is due on or before January 18, 2004 (January 15th being a Saturday and January 17th being a federal holiday).

The Director is authorized to charge the requisite fee of \$1,020.00 that is due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3) and any additional fees, if due, to Deposit Account No. 50-0725. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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